

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/075,534

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/01/2004 & 2/28/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,6,9,14,17 and 22.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 14 February 2002 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

Response to Amendment

This office action is in response to the amendment filed on 11/01/2004 and 2/28/2005.

The terminal disclaimer filed on 11/01/2004 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent if it is granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of U.S. Patent No. 6,542,885 B1 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

Claims 1, 6, 9, 14, 17, and 22 are pending for examination.

Response to IDS Remarks

Applicants request that the examiner include the Enterprise Java Beans reference as listed in the parent application 09/223,254 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,542,885) has been granted and listed in the PTO-892 form as attached in this office action. Furthermore, the changes made under the section of Related Applications of the instant specification had been considered and noted by the examiner.

The following allowance is based on the preliminary amendment filed on 2/14/2002.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 6, 9, 14, 17 and 22, are allowed over the prior art of record.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1, 6, 9, 14, 17 and 22, are allowable because the prior art on record or that encountered in searching for the invention, fails to disclose or suggest the features of instant invention – a transaction controlling variable in a multiple transaction processing environment that being associated with the status of a specific transaction such that the control variable allows for actions to be taken in the context of this specific associated transaction irrespective of an active transaction in a combination including all the limitations as recited by the applicant.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Susan Y Chen whose telephone number is 571-272-4016. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 7:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Safet Metjahic can be reached on 571-272-4023. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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February 24, 2005



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